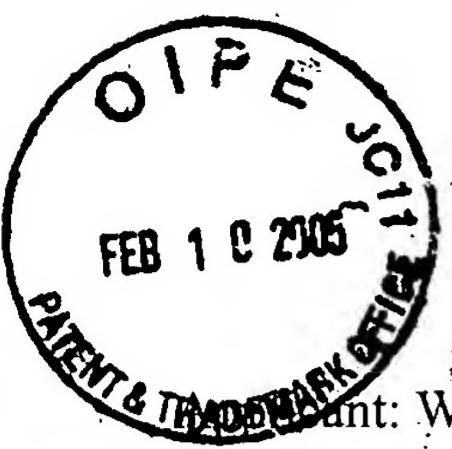


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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE – ISSUE FEE PAID
(37 C.F.R. § 1.313 (c))

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Applicants hereby petition for withdrawal of this application from issue.

The issue fee for this case was paid on January 24, 2005.

The reason for the request for withdrawal from issue is to consider a Request for Continued Examination in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.114(c)(2).

A Request for Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement accompany this petition. Please charge the RCE fee of \$790.00 to Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

Please charge the Petition fee (37 C.F.R. 1.17(h)) of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 01-2384. A duplicate of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Tersillo".

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